



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 98,385-E)

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In re Application of: Hauptmann et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/525,998 ) Before the Examiner: E. O'Hara  
Filed: March 15, 2000 ) Group Art Unit: 1646  
For: TNF Receptors, TNF Binding )  
Proteins and DNAs Coding for Them )

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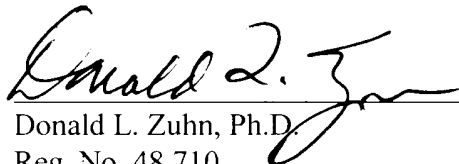
Sir:

**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants request a Three-Month Extension of Time to respond to the Official Action mailed February 25, 2003. The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$930.00 for an Extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

Respectfully submitted,  
**McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff**

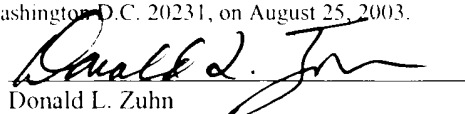
Dated: August 25, 2003

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